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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : John O'Connor et al.

Serial No. : 09/630,215

Examiner: Gailene Gabel

Filed : August 1, 2000

Group Art Unit: 1641

For : METHODS FOR PREDICTING PREGNANCY OUTCOME IN A  
SUBJECT BY hCG ASSAY

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM  
THE EXAMINER'S DECISION TO THE  
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the Final Office Action mailed November 17, 2004 finally rejecting pending claims 58-67 in connection with the above-identified application.

Applicants are concurrently filing an Amendment in Response to November 17, 2004 Final Office Action and Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. With a three-month extension of time, the subject application is pending on May 17, 2005. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), and a check for this amount is enclosed.

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